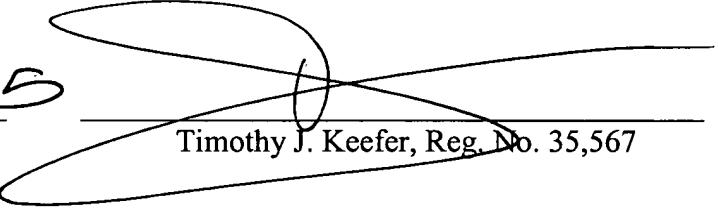


REMARKS

The aforementioned Preliminary Amendment includes formalistic amendments to the claims deleting certain language required in the International Application including "characterizing" phrases. These terms have been deleted as indicated with language appropriate for U.S. claim language being substituted. Therefore, no new matter has been added by way of amendment.

Respectfully Submitted,

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